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Mr. Chairman and Gentlementof the Committee I appear before you as one of the nine delegates appointed by the St. Joseph convention, November 29th, 1881, which convention represented four states and two territories, viz: Missouri, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska and Dakota and Montana territories, said nine delegates to represent said states and territories, before the committees of commerce of the congress of the United States. Said convencreation of a Missouri river commismaking this application to the congress of the United States, is a report to congress through the chief of en-gineers of the U. S. Army, by Charles R. Suter, major of engineers, who

simply ignored. The commission asked for the Missouri river is essengress, all of which we approbate most cordially and asked for them much more of the same thing for the nation's welfare. In all this congress affirms the expediency, nationallty and constitutionality of the appropri-

Now, I proceed, if the committee please, to show you that the Missouri Division has claims for aid in money for the improvement of its great river, from the national government at least equal to the divisions of the upper Mississippi, the Ohio or the lower Mississippi. The Missouri River Valley, embracing the States of Missouri. Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, and the territories of Dakota and Montana, say the "St. Charles delegation," in their "plea for the Missouri River," is the most interesting and important, the least known and best abused of the four grand divisions of the Mississippi Valley. "To the popular mind, it was twenty years ago, and to some extent it is still, (after you have traveled fifty miles west of the Missouri river) a vast treeless region of little rain-fall. Here was the Great American Desert. Here the sage brush dominated the vegetable kingdom, and yet. notwithstanding all the evidence, to the contrary, a large portion of the people of the United States still regard it as "a region of drought and scanty herbage, the home of buffalo and grasshopper and the natural abiding place o "the Sioux Indian and the U. S. army.

But for the facts, which are official: The Missouri river division has 525,-000 square miles; the upper Mississippi has 162,000 square miles; the Ohio division 214,000 square miles. over twice as large as Ohio division, au improved Missouri river 30th of September, 1881. After paythis division of the Mississippi valley ing all the ordinary expenses of the will have a population of 10,000,000 government for the last fiscal year, under the census of 1890. The sum pensions, interest on the public

and on the lower Mississippi, with tion memoralized congress for the creation of a Missouri river commission to consist of seven members, duce to home and foreign markets highway of national developments?"

The division of the Missouri river is citizens, one from Iowa, one from in the geographical center, east and Kansas and one from Nebraska, and west, of the United States, 500 miles for an appropriation, which, in the from Duluth, 740 from Chicago and judgment of said commission, shall be adequate to be expended by them while the other grand divisions before under the supervision of congress, for referred to are one half of the disthe general improvement of the navi-gation of the Missouri river. The basis markets above named, thus showing upon which said convention stands in the great necessity to the Missouri di-

In fact, gentlemen of the com-mittee, the people of the Missouri, Mississippi and Ohio valleys, as well, R. Suter. major of engineers, who has been for two or three years past in charge by government appointment of the survey and improvements of the Missouri River. Said report can be found in Doc. No. 92, house of representatives, forty-sixth congress, third session, dated Feb. 2, 1881.

Major Suter by methods and plans, detailed in said report (which was so clearly and satisfactorily explained to this committee yesterday by Mr. Allen, representative of Kansas City,) assures congress that a channel for the Missouri River can be located and its location permanently fixed, for low and high water as well, of not least than 12 feet deep of water, of sufficient width for all wants of commerce from its mouth to Sioux City, Ia. 800 miles with greater ease and rapidity and with less cost than any other river in the country, and says the Major, the value of the improvement of the sate of the state line. From the flushest provement of the people of the Missouri, Massissippi and Ohio valleys, as well, ergard the permanent improvement of the exception of several half-mile exception of several half-mile sucception of ments herein outlined can hardly be overestimated.

The river, by Idevices and expedients, detailed at length in said report, which Mr. Allen has made so plain to you, is made the agent for creating its new banks and securing its new channel, the cost not exceeding \$10,000 per mile, or \$8,000,000 ing \$10,000 per mile, or \$8,000,000 nal commerce. This vast area coning \$10,000 per mile, or \$8,000,000 for 800 miles.

I am before you, gentlemen, for the purpose of showing you that the claims of the Missouri division of the grand Mississippi valley and its territories are not less than those of the upper Mississippi. The Ohio and the lower Mississippi divisions all have merited much, very much, more consideration than they have received from the general government, but the Missouri valley, the most interesting

I am before you, gentlemen, for the taining 20,000,000 people or more, inhabiting twenty or more states, paid of the internal revenue of the taining 20,000,000 people or more, inhabiting twenty or more states, paid of the internal revenue of the nation in 1880, 70 per cent. Its internal commerce is one-half of the internal revenue of the upper Mississippi valley and its terrinal commerce is one-half of the internal revenue of the United States; twelve times as great as the foreign commerce of the United States, and equal to the foreign commerce of the upper Mississippi divisions all have commerce of the United States, and equal to the foreign commerce of the upper Mississippi divisions all have commerce of the United States, and equal to the foreign commerce of the upper Mississippi divisions all have commerce of the United States, and equal to the foreign commerce of the upper Mississippi divisions all have commerce of the United States, and equal to the foreign commerce of the upper Mississippi and Missouri rivers and form the general government, but the Mississippi and Missouri rivers and their navigable tributaries, has now many at Schroter & Becht's drug store.

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The Clerk of the kitchen has a salative distance, and his board, and to aid him in his work he has four clerks who keep all the accounts, check weights and measures, and is wished much inconvenience from combined kidney and liver disease, and in wished noted in the lower of the united states, and to aid him in his work he has four clerks who keep all the account for 800 miles.

I am before you, gentlemen, for the purpose of showing you that the claims of the Missouri division of the grand Mississippi valley and its town. from the general government, but the Mississippi and Mississip sentatives in the congress of the united States, and in the very near per annum each—who have the privitially the same as the commission in future, we shall have a majority of the lege of taking four apprentices at existence on the Mississippi river people of the United States. We can premiums of from £150 to £200 each since 1879. It has worked well on make and unmake presidents and conthat river. Its call for money has been heard and its use of money appropriated, approved of by connored. The west and the south have and two steam apparatus men. nored. The west and the south have in these great water highways an absorbing and common interest, and we are a first and a second yeoman, with are sure very soon, to come together, salaries of £300 and £250, respectiveand act as one men drawn by mutual ly; an apprentice, three female assistteresting to us and to them, in favor of cheap water transportation to the sea. These rivers will be a bond of union between west and south, created by the Almighty, and destined to make us one people forever, commercially,

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pass and repass from our northern lakes to the Gulf of Mexico and return,

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rivers, and their navigable tributaries, by lakes or gulf at their election. But say sectionalism, selfishness and monopolies of every hue and shade, you will bankrupt the national treasury! I think there is no cause of alarm Ohio division 214,000 square miles. on that score. Our Atlantic seaboard For Colds, Sore Throat, Asthma, times as large as the upper Mississippi times as large as the upper Mississippi, from the national treasury many times more than the millions we of the west and nearly equal to the Ohio and are now asking for the improvement of lower Mississippi divisions combined. our rivers, a large amount of your At-The corn crop of the Missouri divi- lantic appropriations have been, of sion in 1880 was 586,000,000 bushels, more than doubtful propriety. Still or more than one-third of that of the whole United States. It was 82 per cent of the corn crop of the five upper Mississippi river states. It was more than double that of all the Atlantic states, their corn crop being 253,000,000 bushels. Kansas and Nebraska, including Dakota, during the fiscal year ending June 30th. 1880, sold year ending June 30th, 1880, sold 5,000,000 acres of public lands, or more than one-half of the public lands sold for that year in the United States. This indicated a marvelous growth and settlement of that fertile section, and is predicted by one who is well qualified to judge that in five years the four to judge that in five years the four states of the Missouri division will produce more grain than all of the upper Mississippi river states. Missouri Town Kannas and Nahraska souri, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska cecrated and free to the people and produced, in cereals of all kinds in which has become a national necessity 1880, 780,000,000 bushels. Dakota for the regulation of railroads. All and Montana during the year ending of our demands for the improvement June 30th, 1880, contributed to the of these rivers and the making and gold and silver coinage of the country enlarging of these canals are and will \$8,500,000. The Missouri division be according to the estimates of gov now contains a population of 5,000,- ernment experts and will not exceed ooo. Out of it can be carved ten states as large as Illinois and as rich in agricultural, and far richer in min eral wealth, and from the rapidity of its settlement under the stimulus

ADDRESS OF R. S. MOLONY, OF INEBRASKA,

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Defore the Committee on Commerce of the Missouri and the Wissouri and the Wissouri and the United States. equals fully the estimate made by the Mississippi river commission and that of Major Suter, for the improvement our draft for \$100,000,000 should be of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers combined. It is safe to say that a fixed and permanent channel of twelve bursting Uncle Sam. In the language feet deep at low water on the Missouri of another, "Was there ever such an river from the mouth to Sioux City, opportunity for statesmanship ever before granted to the legislators of width sufficient for the purposes of any people? Shall such opportunities their commerce would save at least | be improved, or shall we, as heretoone half of the freight now pain to the fore, allow certain great private and

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-two yeomen of the kitchen, two assalaries of £300 and £250, respectiveinterest, (if for no stronger motive,) ants and an errand man; and, in adto solve this question, supremely in- dition to these, there are also a pastry cook and two female assistants, a baker ond his assistant and three coffee-room women. The ewer de-partment, which has charge of all the linen, consists of a yeoman and two female assistants only. The gentle-man of the wine and beer cellars or, the producers of our glorious union properly speaking, her majesty's chief everywhere an assurance of its endless butler-has a salary of £500 a year. perpetuity. While I represent here He has to select and purchase wines the Misrouri valley, especially. I, for the royal establishment, to supernor the people whom I have the honor, intend the decanting, and send them in part to represent here have our up to the table. Next to him are the interests hemmed in by state or di- principal table deckers, with £200 a vision lines, but the upper Mississippi, the Ohio and the lower Mississippi with £150; the third, with £90, and an divisions, have our liveliest interests assistant, with £52—their duties because of the laying out of and support. Further we are also for ing to superintend the laying out of the Hennepin canal, and the Illinois the Queen's table before dinner is served. The plate pantry is under Michigan and the head waters of the the care of three yeomen—with sala-Illinois river, all of which should at ries of \$160, \$150, and \$120, respectthe earliest day practicable be made and enlarged at the expense of the people of the United States, so that ively, besides lodging money and board-a groom and six assistants, These offices are of great trust and are not overpaid, seeing that at a rough guess the gold and silver plate at Windsor Castle alone is probably worth about £3,000,000, and includes some very precious specimens of art people of the Missonri and Mississippi workmanship. The getting in of her majesty's coal must be an important and arduous task, as no fewer than thirteen persons are employed all the year round on this duty alone.

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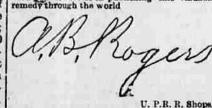
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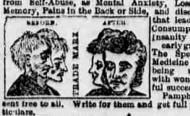
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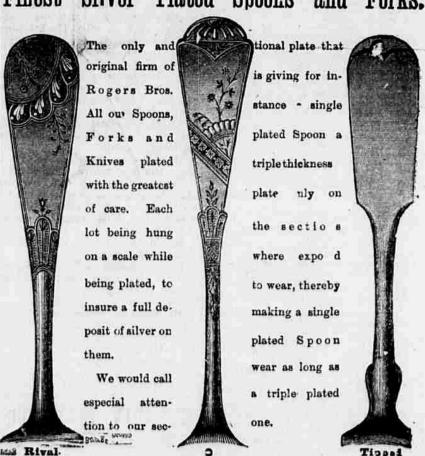
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